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Assignee: Vitria Technology Inc.  
Title: REAL-TIME DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM  
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Washington, D. C. 20231

RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the November 30, 2000 Office Action. The time allowable for this response has been extended to May 30, 2001 by the enclosed petition and fee. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims and further examine the Application in view of the comments as set forth below.

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed December 1, 2000. Claims 1-20 were pending when last examined. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration, further examination, and favorable action in this case.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C §102

The Examiner has rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,339,392 ("Risberg"). Applicants disagree.

"To anticipate a claim, the reference must teach every element of the claim."

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